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MEETINGS OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

A stated meeting of the Society was held on the evening of March 14, 1881, the President, Mr. Wallace, in the chair.

The President introduced Mr. Lawrence Lewis, Jr., who read a discourse entitled " The Courts of Pennsylvania in the Seventeenth Century," which will be found on page 141 of this volume.

On motion of Mr. Pennypacker, the thanks of the Society were tendered to Mr. Lewis for his instructive and interesting address.

The following officers were nominated by Mr. F. D. Stone, to be voted for at the annual election to be held in May next.

President.
John William Wallace.

Vice-Presidents.
Wm. M. Darlington, John Jordan, Jr.

Recording Secretary.
William Brooke Rawle.

Corresponding Secretary.
Gregory B. Keen.

Treasurer.
J. Edward Carpenter.

Members of Council to serve for four years.
John A. McAllister, Charles R. Hildeburn,
James T. Mitchell.

The President appointed the following as tellers to conduct the annual election: John P. Nicholson, Charles Roberts, F. D. Stone, R. Patterson Robins, M.D., and Spencer Bonsall, or any two of them.

A stated meeting of the Society was held on the evening of May 2, 1881, the President, Mr. Wallace, in the chair.

On motion of Dr. Levick, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

The President introduced Professor Gregory B. Keen, who read a discourse on " The Early Swedish Colony on the Delaware," an account drawn chiefly from manuscripts in the Royal Archives at Stockholm.

Upon the conclusion of the reading, Dr. Charles J. Stillé, on behalf of the large assemblage of members of the Society and others present, expressed the high appreciation felt in regard to the historical value of the paper just read, and paid a graceful compliment to Professor Keen's thoroughness and ability as shown in its preparation. He stated, that in this branch of history

Professor Keen's knowledge was unsurpassed, and that in this discourse he had shown a remarkable development of matter heretofore unknown upon a subject to which proper attention has never been paid by historians. Dr. Stillé then offered a resolution that the thanks of the Society be tendered to Professor Keen, and that he be requested to furnish a copy of the discourse for preservation by the Society.

The tellers appointed at the last meeting, to conduct the election, reported that forty-three votes had been cast for the gentlemen nominated by Mr. Stone, and there being no opposition, they were elected.

A stated meeting of the Society was held on the evening of Nov. 14, 1881. In the absence of the President, the Hon. James T. Mitchell, was called to the chair.

On motion, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

The chairman then introduced General Henry B. Carrington, who read a paper on "The Military Operations around Philadelphia during the War of the Revolution."

Vice-President Keim moved that the thanks of the Society be tendered to General Carrington for the interesting address just delivered, and that he be requested to furnish the Society with a copy for preservation.

A special meeting was held in the hall, Dec. 19, 1881, Dr. Chas. Willing in the chair, who introduced Lawrence Lewis, Jr., Esq., who read a paper entitled "The Early History of the Bank of North America, its Organization in Accordance with the Plan Submitted by Robert Morris to Congress in 1781."

Upon the conclusion of the reading, Dr. James J. Levick moved that the thanks of the Society be given to Mr. Lewis.

EXTRACTED FROM THE MINUTES OF COUNCIL.

IN MEMORIAM.

MAURICE CHARLES JONES died at Bethlehem, Pa., Nov. 19, 1881. He was born in London, July 4, 1810, of Welsh parentage. A part of his early education was obtained in France, but on his coming to this country it was continued at Hartwick Seminary, New York, and at Nazareth, Pa. His geniality and hospitality made him well known to all visitors to Bethlehem, and won him many friends. He was elected to membership in this Society Oct. 27, 1841, and gave frequent testimony of his interest in its affairs. By his will this interest is continued by providing for the election of his son as a life member.